

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 20-23, 25-29, and 81 are pending in the application. Claims 20 and 25 have been amended. Claim 29 has been cancelled.

The claims were amended in response to a telephone interview on December 14, 2004 with the Examiner concerning descendant application 10/241,833. Amendments to the claims of that application were discussed in that interview. Amendments to the claims of this application have been made to maintain consistency between the two applications.

For all the above reasons, the Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

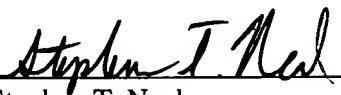
The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (408) 975-7500 to discuss any matter concerning this application.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or §1.17 to Deposit Account No. **11-0600**.

Respectfully submitted,

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